MACACA FUSCATA (BLYTH, 1875): PROPOSED CONSERVATION AS THE NAME FOR THE JAPANESE MACAQUE (MAMMALIA). Z.N.(S.) 1802

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Macaca fuscata (Blyth, 1875) is the name applied to the Japanese red-faced stump-tailed macaque by virtually all authors in the present century. Revisory study has revealed, however, that two earlier names are available for this species.

2. The first name proposed for the Japanese macaque is *Macaca speciosa* I. Geoffroy, 1826. As explained elsewhere (Fooden, 1966, p. 153), the name *speciosa* also has been mistakenly applied by Blyth (1875, p. 6) and many later authors to another red-faced stump-tailed macaque, the southeast Asian bear macaque, *Macaca arctoides* I. Geoffroy, [1831]. The second name proposed for the Japanese macaque is *Papio japonicus* [Rennie], published anonymously in 1838 and not used thereafter, except in a footnote citation by Anderson (1878, p. 78). The third name proposed for the Japanese macaque is *I[nuus] fuscatus* Blyth, 1875.

3. Strict adherence to the principle of priority would result in displacement of *fuscata* Blyth, 1875, by *speciosa* I. Geoffroy, 1826. However, revival of *speciosa* as the name for the Japanese macaque almost certainly would lead to serious bibliographic confusion because of recent widespread, albeit incorrect use of the same name for the superficially similar bear macaque, *Macaca arctoides*. Such confusion can be avoided by formal suppression of *speciosa* I. Geoffroy, 1826.

4. To conserve *fuscata* Blyth, 1875, as the valid name of the Japanese macaque, it is also desirable to suppress the neglected *japonicus* [Rennie], 1838.

5. No action by the Commission is required with respect to the name of the southeast Asian bear macaque. For this monkey the name *arctoides* I. Geoffroy, [1831] (pp. 61, 77), based on a specimen preserved in the Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, is available and current (Thomas, 1927, p. 43; Miller, 1933, p. 5; Pocock, 1939, p. 74; Kellogg, 1945, p. 124; Ellerman and Morrison-Scott, 1951, p. 199), and, fortunately, this name has priority over the wrongly applied *speciosa* of Blyth (1875, p.6) and later authors.

6. To avoid bibliographic confusion and to preserve nomenclatural stability, the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature is therefore requested:

(1) to use its plenary powers to suppress the following specific names for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy:
   (a) *speciosus* I. Geoffroy, 1826, p. 589, as published in the binomen *Macacus speciosus;*
   (b) *japonicus* Rennie, 1838, pp. 364, 396, as published in the binomen *Papio japonicus.*

(2) to place the specific name *fuscatus* Blyth, 1875, p. 6, as published in the binomen *I[nuus] fuscatus*, on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(3) to place the specific names proposed for suppression in (1) on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

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